ULSTERMEN IN COUP LAND 70,000 NEW RIFLES IN IRELAND AT DEAD OF NIGHT

Vessel Transshipped Five Rounds of Ammunition at Sea-Police Outwitted.

BELFAST, Ireland, April 25 .--Outwitting the authorities, the Unionists of Ulster today successfully carried out the greatest "gun running" in the history of Ireland and landed 70,000 rifles, which have been distributed throughout

Five million rounds of ammunition were landed at Larne. With this war material at hand the Ulster leader declared they were now ready to resist to the limit the enforcement of home rule.

The rifles and ammunition left Hamburg on the steamship Fanny a month ago and were landed successfully last night in three consignments at Larne, Bangor, and Donaghadee.

Automobiles Were Used.

Early this morning 100 automobiles were pressed into service and the entire volunteer force of 30.000 men in the Belfast district turned to the task of distributing the arms throughout Ulster.

The authorities had believed the gathering of the volunteers was merely a mobilization test and were taken by surprise when the automobiles began rushing away.

The Fanny had transshipped her cargo en route to Belfast to two small steamers. One of these carrying 63,000 rifles, arrived at Larne at 10 o'clock last night. 'he unloading was completed by 3 a. m. The town had been completely cordoned. All wires were cut, and the authorities were unable to communicate with Belfast The Ulstermen had established such a heavy guard that the police were helpless.

In the meantime a large force of volunteers had assembled at the docks in Belfast as a blind. They had wagons with them and extra guards of police watched them throughout the night.

Volunteers Were Waiting. During this time the unloading of arms and ammunition was in progress at the three other points. At Bangor 8,000 rifles were brought ashore in motor launches. One thousand volunteers were waiting in motor cars and as fast as the rifles were brought ashore they

were hurried away to the arsenals

established throughout Ulster.

EVA BOOTH TO FORM WAR NURSES' CORPS

A corps of nurses and chaplains, to e immediately available for service in Mexico, will be organized tomorroy afternoon by Commander Eva Booth, of he Salvation Army, at the Belasco Theater at 3 o'clock. The corps will e in command of Staff Captain Halpin. Miss Booth reports 39,000 members in the Salvation Army. She has been in England recently.

Miss Booth is announced for a lec-

are tomorrow and the mass meeting is expected to be productive of the swelling of the ranks of those desiring to enlist in the army and the corps to so into active service in Mexico.

A statistical report of the work of the Salvation Army issued yesterday snows the far reaching activities of the work. It has \$62 corps and outposts, sinety-one workingmen's hotels, and 129 andustrial homes, which supposed \$63.299 andustrial homes, which supposed \$63.299. ndustrial homes, which supplied \$69,309 heds in 1912. In the slums it sheltered 44.724 children, and it found the whereabout of 198 missing persons. In 1912 the army gave 281.867 Christmas dinners. Pounds of ice distributed bered 1,800,654, and of coal, 5,010,227.

Blockade Would Stop

A blockade of Mexico probably would result in a complete stopping of Mex-ican imports and exports, which, ac-cording to figures compiled by the Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce, were valued at \$248,000,000 in 1912. More than half of this amount was ex-

ports.

The United States in 1913 took 77 per cent of the exports of Mexico, and supplied 50 per cent of the imports. The cord for 1914 so far compiled indicates ports are about the same as in 1913, the United States having a slightly smaller percentage of merchandise sold to Mex-ico and received from Mexico.

This country's imports from Mexico re mostly crude mineral oil, coffee, sisal, pig copper, lead, mahogany, and crude rubber. Our exports to Mexico are mainly cotton goods, structural iron at steel, farming tools and machinery, rallway equipment, wire, corn,





THE NEW OLIVE BRANCH

CARABAO SONG A LA MEXICANA

A specially Mexicanized version of the famous Carabao song, which it will be recalled brought censure to the Military Order of the Carabao, was hummed surreptitiously around the State, War and Navy Departments today. The new verification pays its respects not only to the Mexiicans, but to "grape juice diplomacy" runs:

"Damn, damn, damn the Mex-"Green-eyed, gory Greaser

"In the town of Vera Cruz, paralyze 'em with grape

Let the Huertas and the Villas go to hang!"

ARMY WILL HANDLE MAIL AT VERA CRUZ

Establishment of Military Post office Taken as Indication of Long Occupation.

Evidence that the Army and Navy ire prepared for a long occupation of Vera Cruz was given today when Postmaster General Burleson signed an order establishing a military postal ser- few hours after the dead and dying had vice at that place. The order becomes \$248,000,000 Commerce effective immediately, and the terriporary postoffice established will be in charge of naval officers until the arrival of H. M. Robinson, superintendent of the twelfth division, railway mail service, at New Orleans, who has been assigned as postal agent in

The plan is the same as that adopted during the Boxer uprising in China, the United States established a postoffice to furnish mail facilities to the American troops. Robinson also

the American troops. Robinson also was in charge in China.

At present, it is declared, there are no facilities for the transmission of mail in Vera Cruz, since the civil authorities have withdrawn.

The Postoffice Department has ordered that \$5,000 in stamps and moneyorder forms be delivered to the mail spency at Vera Cruz. The stamps will appaced in paraffine paper, so that they may be used in the tropics without sticking together.

The exchange rate is rapidly rising and a peso is now worth only 40 cents. The price of all foodstuff is increasing daily.

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Laughter Follows Day of Slaughter

Vera Cruz Amazed at Being Fed and Nursed as Marine Band Plays on Plaza—Sanitary Measures and Police Work Undertaken.

By Lieut. CHARLES M. MAIGNE, U. S. A., Retired. (Staff Correspondent of The Washington Times.)

VERA CRUZ, Mexico, April 25.—The poor peons of Vera Cruz, accustomed only to abuse and virtual slavery, cannot understand the Americans. They cannot understand how the American marines and bluejackets can shoot and kill one day and then feed, shelter, and nurse their enemies the next.

It was mainly the peons who so persistently kept up the sniping of Americans from the housetops on Tuesday and Wednesday. But now they are being cared for. Extreme measures have been taken to make the city in which they live sanitary in every respect. Refugees waiting last night for a train to take them to Mexico City were fed by the American troops. While they eagerly ate the food supplied for them and contemplated flight, one of the ship's bands entertained them by playing "Get Out and Get

PACIFICATION BEGINS.

Mexicans congregated in the cases last government is still progressing slowly night, laughing and chatting. The marine band played on the plaza while laughing crowds of the upper classes promenaded and cowed peons, looked on, their eyes fairly bulging with wonder at this sight of peace within so littered the streets.

The main work now before the American forces is administrative. The acification of the detection of impenume detection of the pacification of the city is almost comalarm the natives, but the Americans ignore them. There is the liveliest in-terest in the arrival of the troops under General Funston expected within

three days.

Despite the general appearances of peace, Rear Admiral Fletcher still warns Americans against appearing on the streets at night. He has advise

they will be punished by the federa government if the orders of Admira government if the of Fletcher are obeyed.

The hospital corps physicians are arranging to take charge of the sanitary work of the city and will assum control of the San Sebastian Hospital. Forty Mexicans dead and 250 sick and wounded were found there. Dr. Elliott has ordered all sewers cleaned to prevent disease and the burial of Mexican dead has all but been completed.

The gunboat Nashville was still in here, having been recalled after ened to kill all foreigners if warships these statements.

Third Cavalry Would

The old Third Cavalry, which was n 1848, again seeks the post of honor Col. A. P. Blocksom, now commanding the regiment on the Texas border, vesterday made application to the War Department that his men be granted the privilege of leading the advance should the army march on Mexico City.

WHITE UNIFORMS **GOOD TARGETS**

Because the snow-white "tropical" uniforms worn by Uncle Sam's bluejackets make a conspicuous target for the enemy's bullets in fighting on land, W. W. Smith, confidential clerk to Secretary of Navy Daniels wil recommend that a different color uniform be adopted for use for landing parties. Smith served in the Philippines, and has a son in service now in Mexico.

REFUGEES REACH AMERICAN BORDER

Many on Verge of Collapse After Thrilling Experience in Chihuahua.

EL PASO, Tex., April 25.-A special rain from Madera, bringing 109 American refugees, arrived today, having come by way of Chihuahua. Included were the wife and four children of Marion F. Letcher, American consul at Chihuahua, and Timothy Turner and George W.

Many refugees were on the verge of ervous collapses. Several asserted that when they passed through Ahumada, Mexicans gathered about the station yelled "Mueran Los Gringoes" (kill the Americans).

Others said they had been insulted in Starting for Puerto Mexico, when it was reported Mexicans there had threat- of the passengers, however, discredited

Others said they had been insulted in the streets of Chihuahua. The majority of the passengers, however, discredited these statements.

W. W. Grubbs, of the Madera Lumber Company, one of the most composed, said conditions have been erroneously pictured, that no anti-American feeling had been shown and that he had not heard rumors of anti-American uprising. He said that when the train left Madera, Wednesday, hundreds of Mexican laborers who depended upon the mills for subsistence, gathered at the station and implored the "gringoes" not to go and close the mills. Five thousand Mexicans will be thrown out of work and face starvation, he declared, as the result of the American exodus.

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CABINET FRICTION RUMOR IS DENIED

White House Checks Report. Congress Dislikes Waiting Policy Toward Mexico.

The White House this morning denied the reports of friction in the Cabinet. It is none the less so that some of the members of the President's official family are not one with the Secretary of State on the proposition to continue idle.

Members of Congress are even less sympathetic with the waiting policy. Many Senators called this morning at the State Department in an effort to learn what the Administration purposes doing further. Among these callers was Senator Owen of Oklahoma.

"I came here," said the Oklahoma statesman, "to learn facts concerning the career of Huerta in Mexico. Today I shall make a speech in the Senate. I shall not presume to speak for the Administration. The President is well able to speak for himself.

"But the world should be told what we purpose doing. It should know that we seek only to restore peace in Mexico; that as the next-door neighbor to that country, we have a right to demand a restoration of peace; and that we seek no aggrandizement by what we now do.

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"I believe that we should send the military into Mexico to accomplish our purpose. Our action so far, however, might well be misconstrued, not only in Mexico, but throughout the rest of the world, and particularly throughout the rest of Latin-America.

"We may say that we selzed Vera Cruz to avenge a particular insult, and the rest of the world remains still suspicious of our motives. If you insult me, and I selze your purse, I may say I selze it because of the insult, but others draw different inferences. If I say, however, that I selze it, but will return it when I have disarmed you, the rest of the world will understand and sympathize. That is what this Government should now do."

President Wilson this morning took a short ride, but was back at his affices before the morning had proceeded far, reading dispatches and examining a fresh stock of maps sent over to him by the War Department experts.

Prayer for Nation Set for Churches

Oh, Lord God Almighty, who never faileth to help those who trust in thee, look down in mercy, we humbly beseech thee, upon this nation, and guide us in our high endeavor to establish righteous government, true peace, and lasting prosperity among the sorely troubled people of Mexico.

Give wisdom, courage, and patience to the President and his counsellors and to the Senators and Representatives in all their undertakings.

Defend our soldiers and sailors, strengthen them to fulfill their tasks bravely and wisely, and replenish them with the solace of thy Holy Spirit in every hour of suffering. Sustain us in times of alarm and trial, and comfort them that mourn.

Deliver us, we implore thee, from the horrors of war, and bless as well the people of Mexico as of these United States with a speedy and honorable peace.

We ask these things in the name and for the love of Him who sittest on the throne judging right, thy Son, our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen.

The above prayer has been set for use in the Episcopal diocese of Washington by Bishop Harding.

Diplomatic Tangle Tightens Situation

Congress Supports President, But Will Levy No Tax Until Policy Is Determined-Huerta Outguesses Adm inistration.

The diplomatic tangle over Mexico has ure, and it will be added to as the created a situation of unrest here in necessity for additional funds grows. Washington. Congressional leaders are vainly importuning the White House for an announcement of a definite policy. He and his advisers may have a decided plan, but all knowledge of it is withheld from the public. The inevitable result of a campaign of slience has been the circulation of rumors which are action by the President. That is administration. Secretary of War Garrison, declaration that there will be no

say they are assured that the President sent word to Gen. Pancho Villa that, with Vera Cruz in the hands of the United States forces, there was now no reason why the constitutionalist forces now at Tampico should not push directly southward without delay and take Mexico City. These Congressional chieftains insist the reports that the constitutionalists have renewed their as sault on Tampico confirms this belief.

The White House and State Department refuse to discuss the matter. But Mr. Bryan and Secretary of the Navy President withheld execution of his gen-Daniels have issued several direct state-ments praising Carranza, Villa, and west coast ports in Mexico.

The negular channels of commerce heir men and insisting there is no chance that they will join hands with Huerta. Way. Cargoes are allowed free entry way. Cargoes are allowed free entry and egress everywhere, even at Vera everywhere in Administration circles to Cruz. Only munitions of war will be that they will join hands with Huerta argure the constitutionalists against any fear that this nation has any permanent designs on Mexican territory.

Meanwhile, the reports continue to reach this city from the border that the rank and file of the constitutional-

ists are chafing over the situation. Torreon many of Villa's crack men are reported to have abandoned his cause and to be en route south to join the federals under the terms of the general amnesty proclamation issued by Huerta and under which Zapata and his band of irregulars have already Outguesses United States.

Huerta has apparently outgussed the United States on one proposition. The President and all of his advisers were confident that his handing of passports

to O'Shaughnessy would be followed by a formal declaration of war. would then have permitted the United States to have accepted the defi and rushed its troops into the interior from Vero Cruz. But Huerta has contented himself with issuing proclamations de-nouncing the United States; calling on all classes of Mexicans to rally to the support of the government, but not issuing the document that would mean a formal war. As a result the Ad-ministration has been unable to take any steps toward actual reprisals other than the landing of its men at Vera

President Wilson sent Secretary of the Treasury McAdoo to confer with the party leaders in Congress regarding a war tax measure. McAdoo urged them to introduce a revenue measure so that it could receive consideration and not have to be rushed through as Villa an emergency act.

"Declare war and we will do so at once," was the reply made to the Treasury head. "We will uphoid the President to the last ditch, but we can be president to the last ditch, but we can be president.

Watch For Complications.

Meanwhile officialdom is watching closely for unforeseen complications No word comes from the President. The situation of all Americans in Mex-

cepted as truth because they are not denied. The result was a tenseness to-day in Congress which may break into a storm of open criticism of Secretary of State Bryan and the President at any mcment.

Congressional leaders generally believe that the President and Mr. Bryan have been in negotiation with Carranga. They been in negotiation with Carranga. They washington, ready for the order that Washington, ready for the order that will set them in motion. All that remains to be done, so far as the army is concerned, is for the President to say

But every hour it becomes more cer-taln he will not say that word until events force his hand. Reports from foreign capitals that the various powers are uneasy over our handling of the entire situation are not credited at the White House. The President believes that the nations—with the exception of Spain—will permit the United States a free hand in Mexico in every way. It was because he did not desire foreign complications that the have not been interfered with in any

interfered with, and so far as is known, One matter receiving consideration to day was whether the 5,000 Mexican prisoners held at Fort Bliss, at El Paso, ought not to be moved to the interior It has been pointed out to the War Pepartment that the presence of these men there will always be an incention

men there will always be an incentive to Mexicans to rescue them.

The Navy Department was still without details today of the fighting at Tampico. The only word received came from Admiral Badger, who reported that Admiral Mayo had wired him that the constitutionalists had renewed their attack on the city and that the federal gunboats were shelling the attacking gunboats were shelling the attacking force. All foreign refugees have been taken from Tampico and vicinity and are on the warships and two foregin

CABLE FOR CASKETS

'Please send caskets.' This terse extract from a cable dispatch to the Navy Department was the aftermath today of American herolam on Mexican soil. Officials feared it indicated still further increase of the deaths in the three days' fighting at

Secretary of the Navy Daniels and Surgeon General Braisted today con-ferred regarding disposition of bodies of the dead at Vera Cruz. Return next week of the bodies of the dead to United States soil was planned today by naval officials. They will be placed in heavy, hermetically-sealed leaden caskets, each wrapped wish an American flag. It has not been decided whether the bodies will be brought to Galveston, New Orleans, Norfolk or New York.

N. Y. Guardsmen Expect To Mobilize by Monday

NEW YORK, April 25.-The New York National Guard expects orders to mobilize not later than Monday on

MILITIA EXPECTS TO BE CALLED FOR WAR

District National Guard Is Now Being Recruited Up to Its. Full Strength.

Active work of recruiting a reserve corps of trained men to bring the Na-tional Guard of the District of Columbia up to full war strength was commenced today. Cngress has authorized the reserve corps, and the regulations therefor ave been approved.

The full war strength of the two reginents of the guard is 3,500 men. This is in addition to the signal corps, hospital corps, naval militia, and other ranches of the guard.

Lieut, Col. Aimon P. Parmeter, acjutant general, said this afternoon that already a good response had beer made to the call for enlistment in the reserve corps, and that it was expected the militia would be up to its maximum strength in a short time.

Seem Certain of Service. nd when the time comes for actual serice, and orders for a mobilization camp at Fort Myer would not come as a sur prise should they be received at any moment. Brig Gen, George H Harrier, commander-in-chief of the District militia, is now in Washington taking personal charge, of the arrangements that are being made to have everything in readiness when the call to arms

William E. Harvey, of the Sec which explains the duty of the reserve corps. Any man who has served faith-fully for one full enlistment in the National Guard, in the army and navy or

vance of other volunteers. This insures us the right to go whenever we may be needed. The National Guard of the District is a Federal organization. The President is our commander-in-chief, and we are now classed by the War Department as 'army troops.'

"Men wishing to see service should report at Room 24, Center Market Armory, and be examined physically, enlisted, and equipped ready to go into the field in support of the honor and giory of the United States. Stand by our regimental motto, 'Conquer we

Consider Using Navy's Aero Reserve Corps

Plans for calling into action the aero eserve corps of the navy were discussed today by Secretary of the Navy Daniels and A. B. Lambert, of St. Louis, head of the corps.

Lambert told Daniels that in event of Lambert told Daniels that in event of active warfare the corps could supply between seventy-five and one hundred experienced fliers—all pledged now to the serivce of their country. The aerial squadron would be of invaluable service, it was pointed out, in reconnoissance, in surveying the country in advance of its movements into the enemy's country, and in all the tacticel and strategic movements of the cam-

400 Greeks Drilling

For Volunteer Army NEW YORK, April 25.—Four hundred Greeks are receiving military training for the volunteer service in the United States Army in a hall of the Greek Church at Fifty-fourth street, near Le ington avenue. They are under the command of Dimitrius Exarbulate. Many served in the Balley.

All are keen on serving the Stars and Stripes,
After another week's training Commander Exarhulakos will take measures to have his men enrolled in the
United States Army.

Peace Efforts Approved.

A copy of a resolution adopted by the Washington Peace Society at a meeting yesterday will be forwarded to Presi-dent Wilson today. The resolution gives President Wilson and the members of the Cabinet the assurance that efforts to prevent war with Mexico are appre

THE WEATHER REPORT

The forecast for the District of Co-lumbia—Showers and Warmer tonight, Sunday partly cloudy. Maryland—Showers and warmer to-night; Sunday unsettled; moderate south

Virginia-Unsettled tonight and Sun day: probably occasional showers warmer tonight in the east portion; moderate south winds.

The temperature today as registered United States Weather Bureau S. BUREAU. AFFLECK'S 51 1 p. m....... 55 51 2 p. m...... 51

TIDE TABLE, High tide 2:12 a. m. and 8:30 p. m. Low tide 2:12 a. m. and 2:42 p. m.

SUN TABLE.